

United States Air Force Auxiliary

Minnesota Wing, Civil Air Patrol



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MEMBER RECEIVES AWARD

Breezy Point, MN – 1st Lieutenant Michael Owen received Minnesota Wing's Flight Operations Specialist of the Year Award during a ceremony on May 4th. Lieutenant Owen is a member of Crow Wing Squadron that meets Monday Nights at Brainerd Regional Airport.

The Flight Operations Specialist Award recognizes an officer who insures that all flying in the squadron is in accord with USAF and CAP Regulations and provides excellent customer service to the members of his or her unit. It also recognizes the officer's expertise in the conduct of CAP Flight Operations.

Flight Operations include: Search and Rescue Flights, Cadet Orientation Flights, USAF Support Flights, Counter Drug Operations and Flight Proficiency Training.

Lieutenant Owen received his award at the 2002 Minnesota Wing Conference, held at Breezy Point Resort 3-5 May.

Civil Air Patrol, the official U. S. Air Force Auxiliary, is a civilian, volunteer, nonprofit, service organization. The unpaid members perform more than 85 percent of inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue and Coordination Center. Volunteers also take a leading role in aerospace education and conduct one of America's finest youth programs through CAP Cadet Programs.

There are more than 1300 Civil Air Patrol members in Minnesota.

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Photo Caption

1st Lt Michael Owen receives Minnesota Wing's Operations Specialist of the Year Award from Col Dale Hoium (r) during a ceremony at the Minnesota Wing Conference held on May 4th.

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